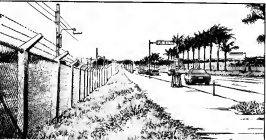


A Sadness Much Deeper

Report #81







KIN
POLICE
STATION



HE'S
OUT.

HE
WON'T
BE BACK
UNTIL
TONIGHT.



I
SEE.



MY NAME IS
TAKASHI JOE.
DETECTIVE
GUSHIKAWA
MENTIONED ON A
CASE THAT
INVOLVED
ME.

COULD
I LEAVE
HIM
A MESSAGE?



I'LL BE
LEAVING AT
NOON
TOMORROW.
BUT I CAN
STOP BY THE
STATION
TOMORROW
MORNING.

THIS
IS MY
CELL
PHONE
NUMBER.



I'LL
GIVE
HIM THE
MESSAGE.











I DIDN'T RAISE MY SON TO BE A RHYTHMIC...



...THAT HE CAN'T EVEN BELIEVE IN HIS FATHER!



I HATE HIM!









I had
cried,
and I had
seen
her
cry
before.

But I
had never
known
that
there
was this
other
kind of
sadness.

...filling
the
depths
in
slow
time.

A
sadness
regular,
like
the current—
around
these
islands,
everywhere.

And it
breaks
upon the
shore: our
heart—over
and over
again.

Tell
me
mother—
who
took
your
life?

Was
it
the
man
you
loved
so
passionately?







MR. GURUKHAN!



PLEASE!

COME IN!



SORRY I'M LATE!



SO IT'S
ALREADY
BEEN
TEN MONTHS
SINCE SHE
DROPPED
AWAY.



YOU
KNOW, I
ACTUALLY
ATE HERE
SEVERAL
TIMES.

THE
CHANDPURI
WAS
SO GOOD!

I'M
GLAD
YOU
HIT
HIS
DETECTIVE.









NOT
ONLY
WAS
IT OUT
OF FOCUS
TO
BELIEVE
ANY...

"On
my
OWN
TIME..."



IT'S
NOT
I
CAN
ASK
FOR
NOW.



IT
HAD
RECEIVED
LONG
AND
IN
THE
CUT.





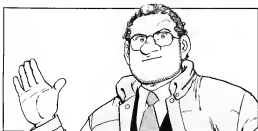






I CAN GIVE YOU A LIFT, VALLEY PARKING LOT?









Darkness
in the
Capital



LOOKING
DOWN THE HILL,
TO THE CAPITOL
BUILDING, WHERE
FOR YEARS BOTH
KENNETH S. MACK
AND RICHARD G. GALT
HAVE JOCKED UPON
THE SENATE
FLOOR.

...IT IS HARD
IMAGINE
THAT THEIR HANDS CAN
BE ON THEIR WORK HERE,
FOR IN THESE DAYS...ONE
OF THESE TWO MEN WILL
BE GIVEN NOTICE BY THE
AMERICAN VOTERS TO
MOVE TO A NEW
ADDRESS, ELEVEN
BLOCKS AWAY.

ON
PENNSYLVANIA
AVENUE.





THE 2000 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IS NEARLY AT HAND, AND IN KEEPING WITH THE EXTRAORDINARY NATURE OF THIS CAMPAIGN, THE REPUBLICAN NOMINEE HAS PROPOSED A LAST-MINUTE ROUND OF NEW DEBATES.

WE NOW TAKE YOU TO SENATOR GRANT'S PRESS CONFERENCE, RECORDED EARLIER THIS MORNING ON THE STEPS OF THE U.S. CAPITOL.

CNB
LIVE



...AFTER ALL, THESE DEBATES AREN'T FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE CANDIDATES!

THEY'RE FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE! WE'RE SEEING A SECOND TALKOUT PROPOSED FOR NOVEMBER 7th!



FOR A CANDIDATE WHO WANTS THE TRUST OF THE PEOPLE, THERE CAN BE ONLY ONE PROPER RESPONSE.



AND THAT'S TO GIVE THE PEOPLE ALL THE INFORMATION THEY DEMAND. WHY IS MY OPPONENT STALLING?

THE VOTERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO KNOW, AND ALL I'M ASKING FOR IS THE TRUTH.





ALL I
KNOW IS
YOUR
BEST
FOLK'S
GOT YOU
TRY POINTS
BENDING!

THINK
I'M STUPID?
THE BOARDS OF
AEN AND CMB
ARE BOTH
HARDCORE
REPUBLICAN! THE
OVERSEAS VOTE I
GOTS MILITARY!



ANY
IDiot
KNOWS
GARNETT'S
A
HAWK!



"VIEWED
PARTICIPATION" IS
WHAT THE NETWORKS
WANT IT TO BE, BUT
THERE'S MOMENTUM
FOR GRANT ON MORE
DEBATES TO BE
HONEST, I THINK
BY NOW IN THIS
RELATIONSHIP
AMERICA'S JUST
JEWELRY
FOR TRANA.



TELL
HIM
TWO
ON CMB,
TWO
ON AEN...

THREE
BETWEEN THE
PRESIDENTIAL
CANDIDATES
ALONE AND
ONE WITH
THE VP'S
PARTICIPATING!



OKAY?
ONE'S FOR HIM,
ANOT FOR US!
IF HE WANTS
THE GODDAMN
MEDIA BIAS, HE'S
GONNA HAVE
TO SHARE!

HE'LL
GET
THE
MESSAGE







ALL
RIGHT!

LET'S
GET
THIS
SET
UP
PEOPLE!

GRAY-
GRANT
CAN
STOP
RAPPING
AND
COME!



CHA!



HEY...



TAKASHI!

























TAKKATAKKATAKKA

Dear Detective Goshikawa,

I am sending you some documents by air mail. The people listed all reside in the United States. None of them have criminal records.

TAKKATAKKATAKKA

Although I am not at liberty to disclose my reasons for believing this, one of them might be involved in the incident we discussed.

Perhaps you could determine whether any of these suspects were in Okinawa immediately before or after my mother's death.

**THIR
THIR**



I hope that these documents will assist you in your investigation. Thank you for everything you have done.







*My
mother
told me.*



*These three all
posed a threat to
Kennedy's run for
the Presidency. An
attempt was made
on Norma's life...and
the other two died
under identical
circumstances.*



*There's
always been
one other
person who
could stop
him.*



*Who
don't
tell
about.*



No.

October 30, 2000

WHOO!

WHO
WILL
BECOME
THE PRESIDENT
TO LEAD
A NATION
AND A PEOPLE
INTO
THE 21ST
CENTURY?

WHOO!

OR THE
DEMOCRATIC
CANDIDATE,
SENATOR
KARL ROYCE
OF NEW YORK?

THE
REPUBLICAN
CANDIDATE,
SENATOR
RICHARD
GRANT OF
COLORADO.

ABN TV CO.





SENATOR DAWYDOWA?



WHO PROVIDED US WITH THIS BUDGET SURPLUS? THE FACTORYS, THE INDUSTRY SHOWN BY THE WORKING MEN AND WOMEN OF AMERICA.



...BUT I SAY THE PEOPLE DESERVE IT BACK.







BUT DOWN HERE IN ARIZONA, WE'RE DEALING WITH A REAL HUMAN TRAGEDY.

I'M TALKING ABOUT THE DISASTERS OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION.

IT'D LIKE TO KNOW WHERE THE CANDIDATES STAND ON THIS ISSUE.



BEHAVIOR DEMONSTRATES.

WHAT ARE YOUR VIEWS?



...I WANTED KENNETH! EVERY TIME YOU GET THE UPPER HAND, CASHNELL CHANGES THE SUBJECT!



THE RAPID RISE IN ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION IS A PROBLEM WITHOUT A SIMPLE SOLUTION. IT CANNOT BE SOLVED WITH MORE POLICE, MORE BARRIERS, AND GUARDS SINGING OUR LAND OF FREEDOM WITH HIGH WALLS.

THESE ARE PEOPLE... WHOM WE SHOULD RESPECT.



...HE JUST KEEPS CANNING INTERFERENCE FOR GRANT!



MAYOR OLIVE... HE MUST UNDERSTAND AS A NATION OF IMMIGRANTS, AND IF HE WISH TO STEER THE FLOW, HE MUST WORK WITH BARRIERS, NOT AGAINST THEM, COOPERATING TO SOLVE THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS FROM WHICH PEOPLE IN REGISTRATION FLEE.

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION IS A TRAGEDY... WHEN HUMAN BEINGS DIE UNSEEN IN THE DESERT, OR IN THE HOLD OF SHIPS, HAVING ONLY TRIED TO SEEK THE OPPORTUNITY HERE THAT WE ENJOY.



HOW LONG WILL THAT TAKE?



SUPPOSE WE DO GIVE MORE ASSISTANCE TO LATIN AMERICA, TO ASIA.

TO RUSSIA TO EASTERN EUROPE? WHEN WILL IT BE ENOUGH? IS IT EVER ENOUGH?



RIGHT NOW AS HE SPEAKS, ILLEGAL ALIENS ARE ABANDONING THE COUNTRIES THAT NEED THEM. THE COUNTRIES HE FOUGHT TO FREE IN A WORLD OF THIRDS. MR. SENATOR, THEY ARE CROSSING OUR BORDERS.

...BRINGING GAPS OF ILLETHOROUGH POVERTY AND INSTABILITY TO A COUNTRY WITH GREAT NEEDS OF ITS OWN.



WE CANNOT AFFORD TO WAIT ANYMORE... WE MUST SET LIMITS TO IMMIGRATION, PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS, AND WORKING VISA, AND A STOPPING UPON AMERICAN IN-TEGRITY, AND OUR ECONOMIC AND DIPLOMATIC INTERESTS AGAINST THE RISING FLOODING OF OUR BORDERS...



...THEN I WILL DO USE THE POWER OF THE PRESIDENCY TO PROTECT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

















I AM
VERY PROUD
TO BE
A THIRD-
GENERATION
JAPANESE
AMERICAN

WELL,
WHAT
I
WANTED
TO SAY
WAS...



AND I CAN DO
NO OTHER THAN
TO RESPECT MY
GRANDFATHERS...
TO RESPECT EVERY
IMMIGRANT AND
EVERY INNOCENT'S
CHILD THAT
LIVES AMERICA.

BECAUSE
THERE IS
ONE QUALITY
THEY SHARE--
AND THAT
IS
COURAGE



WELL,
THEY'RE
SOUNDING
IT'S
THEIR...

WHEN THEY
CAME TO THIS
NEW LAND THEY
FACED RESISTANCE.
THEY FACED
BECOMING A
NEW PEOPLE



WHEN THEY WERE
UNAFRAID TO BECOME
A NEW PEOPLE, THEY
WERE AMERICANS. WE
ARE STILL THE LEADER
OF THE WORLD BECAUSE
WE ARE THAT PART
OF THE WORLD
UNAFRAID TO CHOOSE
FOR THE BETTER.



AND WHEN THEY
WERE UNAFRAID
TO BECOME A
NEW PEOPLE,
THEY WERE WHAT
AMERICANS
SHOULD
ALWAYS BE.

HEY,
GUARD!
PICK
UP THE
MIST!















KIM,
THIS EVENING
LAW THE
RETURN OF A
CANDIDATE!
AMERICA CAN
BELIEVE IT...

...NOT
MERELY
MOUTH
FOR!

AS JOHN
F. KENNEDY
SPOKE OF
"A NEW
GENERATION
OF AMERICANS"



...SO
TODAY
DID KENNEDY
SPEAKING
SAY...

REEEEEE









*Now
it's
almost
sure...*

*...that
Yamada
was
responsible.*



*And
what's
wrong
with
me?*

*I
mean, I
still
have a
father*



*...and
he'll be
elected
President
of the
United
States.*



*What's
wrong
with
me?*

*All I
have to
do is be
undermined
for eight
more
days...*







Report #83

End Of The Trail







April, 1993: Leaves Regiment as Chief Warrant Officer, and joins Joint Task Force Two, Canada's counter-terrorist unit.



Unconfirmed reports have JTF-2 in Bosnia in 1995, after Canadian troops taken hostage by Serb forces.

Resigns shortly thereafter, and in 1996 reappears in Boston as a security analyst for the First New England Bank.



Takes leave of absence in 1998...



...to work for New York Senator Kenneth Tamura.





*All
methods
are
actively
flexible*



*Herb, loyal and
professional.
Two admirable
qualities. The
second may be
the only thing
keeping him
from acting
upon the
first.*



*From
opposition
resistance
to
murder.*



*Because if he
thought it would
help, I'm sure he
would be
perfectly willing
to open the
emergency exit
and throw me
out—right now.*



BOSTON









IT WAS
ON A
NIGHT LIKE
THIS... 25
YEARS
AGO...

...THAT A YOUNG
ASIAN MAN
FROM SEATTLE,
OUT HERE ON
A SCHOLARSHIP,
TOLD ME HE
WANTED TO MEET
MR. BIDEN...



...ANGRY
INTO ONE
OF THE
OLDEST
NAMES IN
AMERICA.



I
LOOKED
HIM OVER
AND I
WANTED TO
KNOW WHAT
HIS
AMBITIONS
WERE.

HE
TOLD ME
"TO BECOME
PRESIDENT
OF THE
UNITED
STATES,
SIR!"



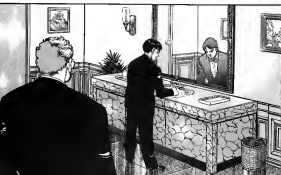
I
MIGHT
HAVE
LAUGHED
AT HIM,
BUT I
DIDN'T.

SOMETHING
INSIDE ME,
MY GOOD
BUSINESS
INSTINCTS... MY
SENSE OF
AMERICA
AND ITS
MOMENTS...



...TOLD
ME HE
REALLY
COULD
DO IT. I
SUPPOSE
I'LL KNOW
I WAS
RIGHT.









AN AHA... THAT'S A GOOD ONE!



NO MORE STAY & WAY OUT!

I... I could give him... all my documents...



...and never to never tell... I could...

Or I could...







Alex!



Am?



*How
can I
forget
now??*

*They
killed
my mother...
who had
my father's
name from
me for
twenty-six
years!*



*They
couldn't
let
me
go!*

*And
forget my
connection
to all this!
How can I
let them get
away with this*



*...As
a
journalist,
as a
human
being??*



*Thank
you, Alex.
And I'm
not
going
to
hesitate*

*One
more can
make the
difference.
Time
to cast
mine.*



THANKS



*I'm taking
a
danger-
ous risk
here...*



*...but I
don't
have
time
to be
subtle.*





*If
Yamada
gave
Purdin
his
orders...*



*...then
he'll
understand
what
these two
photos
together
mean.*

*That,
it's
simple.*













*Will
he
come?*

*If he's
really...
the murderer,
he has
to...
right?*

Report #84

*The
ports open
on the
East Coast
in five
hours.*

*Today
the people
of
America
choose
a man
to lead
them.*



*Of course,
Nemesis
won't come
here... it'll
be
Duran...*

*We'll
do
the
job.*



*But
the
moment
I
see
Duran...*

*...I'll finally
know the
truth. And
then... later...
when Alex
opens that
file...
everyone
will know.*



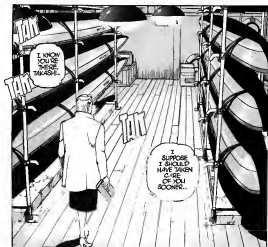
Mother...





The Calculation









KENNETH WASN'T GOING TO TELL ME... WHO THIS STRANGE YOUNG REPORTER WAS...

...AND LOOKED SO MUCH LIKE A YOUNG BOY I ONCE KNEW.

I HAD YOUNG CHECKED OUT YOUR WORK, YOUR MOTHER...

REPORT ON ENGLAND

ARM INQUIRY AGENCY

...AND OF COURSE... YOUR FATHER...



KENNETH IS A MAN, AFTER ALL.

TO BE HONEST, I'D RATHER NOT HAVE KNOWN ABOUT ANY WOMAN HE WAS WITH IN THE PAST.



STAYS IN THE PAST.











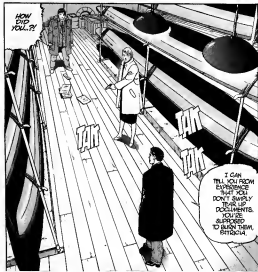




YOU'RE
WRONG
HE DIDN'T
APPROACH
ME. I
HAD HIM
COME TO
US.



KENNETH!



HOW
DID
YOU...?!

I CAN
TELL YOU FROM
EXPERIENCE
THAT YOU
DON'T SIMPLY
TEAR UP
DOCUMENTS.
YOU'RE
SUPPOSED
TO BURN THEM,
BETHGIA.





...I'M ENTIRELY RESPONSIBLE.







**YOU
BURNED
TAKASHI
OVER
HERE AS...
AS A
KEEP-
SAKE!**

**SHE...
SHE FINALLY
DIED IN SOME
RUN-DOWN BAR,
AND THEN
THE TWO
OF YOU
LEAVE THAT
PHOTO TO
TORTURE
ME!**



*She
doesn't
understand!*

*So
she's
not
the
murderer!*



**YOU
USED
ME!**



**YOU
NEVER
LOVED
ME!**

**ALL
YOU EVER
WANTED WAS
MY GAMBEL'S
MONEY! MY
GAMBEL'S
MONEY!**



**IF YOU
LIAR... I
FRIENDS WITH
CHARLES!
L-LOVER
OF ME!**

**JUST
THINGS FOR
YOU TO CLIMB
UP TO THE
BIG FIRM! THE
SENATE! THE
FUCKING PRESIDENCY!
YOU LOUSY
ROTTEN
BASTARD!**



**YOU
TAKE ME FOR
A FOOL? THE
LITTLE
WOMAN? I'M
YOUR GODDAM
LAW
PARTNER!**

**YOU'RE
GOING TO
SPEND THE REST
OF YOUR LIFE
REMEMBERING
ME! THROUGH
TAKASU! SHE'S
THE ONLY ONE
YOU EVER
LOVED!**



**I
DON'T
WANT
YOU TO
SEE
IT.**

**...JUST
ONCE.**



**BECAUSE
YOU
ARE...**

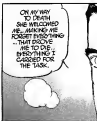
**...MY
FUTURE.**



SHE WAS
LIKE THE
SOUTH
SACIFIC.
SOMETHING
IMMUTABLE.



I
WAS YOUNG
AND SHE WAS
SOMEHOW
ANCIENT... AND
THAT
WAS HOW I
LOVED HER.



ON MY WAY
TO DEATH
SHE WELCOMED
ME... ASKING ME
FORGET EVERYTHING
... THAT DROVE
ME TO DIE.
EVERYTHING I
CARRIED FOR
THE TASK.

SHE... SHE TOOK
OFF MY FEAR, MY
ANGER, MY WEAKNESS.
I COULD HAVE
BEEN AT PEACE
WITH TOWNO. BUT
MY BROTHER HAD
ALREADY DIED
IN VIETNAM. I
HAD TO FIGHT.



NOT
OVER
THERE.

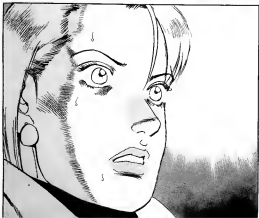
BUT
RIGHT HERE.
PATRICIA. RIGHT
HERE INSIDE...
IN US...
IN THE
DARKNESS.



AGAINST
WHAT
PUT
GUNS
IN THE
HANDS
OF MY
FAMILY.

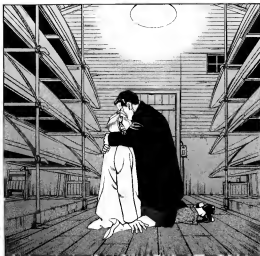


AND THEN
THE PRIEST SAID,
THEREFORE
SHALL A
MAN LEAVE
HIS FATHER AND
HIS MOTHER
AND SHALL CLEAVE
UNTO HIS
WIFE-AND THEY
SHALL BE
ONE FLESH,
ONE.















Report #85



*Oh
my
God!*

**Third
Motive**







VARRRRRRR















NOW
I KNOW
WHO
WAS
BEHIND
THIS...

BUT
I WAS
WRONG
ABOUT
YOU AND
YOUR
WIFE



...BECAUSE
OF WHAT
PATRICIA
SAID TO
ME.



FORTUNE AND
FAVE, MAYBE
SOMEONE
WHO ALREADY
HAD BOTH
WOULD ASK
FOR ONE
FINAL WISH

GLORY
TO BASK IN
THE KNOWLEDGE
HE HAD
CREATED THE
WORLD'S MOST
POWERFUL
LEADER.

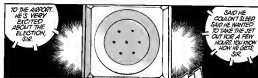


MY GOD,
HE'S JUST
BEEN
LOOKING
AFTER HIS
INVESTMENT
ALL ALONG.
HASN'T
HE?



YOUR
FATHER-
IN-
LAW...
WILLIAM
HAMPTON.













APPROX
TO
CONTROL
TOWER...



REQUEST
PERMISSION
TO MOVE
ONTO THE
RUNWAY

TOWER
TO APPROX
REQUEST TO
MOVE TO
RUNWAY IS
GRANTED



ROGER
THAT
TOWER



FW

FW

